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SUBJECT: COLUMBIA RIVER TREATY

B.C. MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR ENERGY, JACK DAVIS, CLAIMS THAT ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS HAVE ADVISED HIM THAT COLUMBIA RIVER TREATY MAY BE RENEGOTIATED AND THAT BC MIGHT BE ABLE TO GET ANOTHER DOLS. 100-200 MILLION FROM THE U.S. DAVIS' CLAIM IS BASED ON VALUE OF B.C. STORAGE WHICH HE SAYS HAS INCREASED BECAUSE U.S. HASN'T BUILT CERTAIN RESERVOIRS OF ITS OWN. DAVIS HAS TURNED MATTER OVER TO BC HYDRO AND ENERGY COMMISSION FOR STUDY AFTER WHICH HE PLANS TO RAISE MATTER WITH OTTAWA AND U.S.

DAVIS DEBUNKED RECENT CHARGES THAT TREATY SHORTFALL FOR B.C. AMOUNTS TO ALMOST DOLS. 1 BILLION. HE POINTED OUT THAT ALL BUT DOLS. 105 MILLION OF THAT FIGURE IS FOR GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION FACILITIES FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA WHICH ARE NOT COVERED BY THE TREATY AND WHICH DO NOT BENEFIT U.S. (NOTE: FORMER SOCRD GOVERNMENT OF WAC BENNETT NEGOTIATED THE TREATY FOR B.C.). BURGOON

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